Question for written answer E-000325/2025 to the Commission Rule 144 Liudas Mažylis (PPE)

Subject: Threats posed by the Astravets nuclear power plant

The Astravets NPP in Belarus continues to operate, posing a threat to the environment and remaining a tool of Russian-Belarusian hybrid operations, particularly those targeting Lithuania and its capital Vilnius, which is only a few dozen kilometres away. Two units are in operation, with the second one running since November 2023. No explanations have been offered as to whether the IAEA's recommendations to improve the safety of the plant have been complied with, which implies that the plant remains unsafe.

In the light of the foregoing:

- 1. What specific measures have been taken in recent months to put pressure on the Belarusian authorities and Rosatom to improve the safety of the Astravets NPP or, better still, to shut it down?
- 2. What measures are being planned for the near future?

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